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SUBJ: TRIP TO U.S. OF PORTUGUESE CONFEDERATION OF INDUSTRIES

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1. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE PORTUGUESE CONFEDERATION OF INDUSTRIES (CIP) IS PLANNING A TRIP TO WESTERN EUROPE AND U.S. TO EXPLAIN PRESENT ECONOMIC SITUATION IN PORTUGAL, TO ADVERTISE OPPORTUNITIES OPEN TO PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IN PORTUGAL AND TO MAKE CLEAR THE COUNTRY'S NEED FOR ECONOMIC SUPPORT. SOMEWHAT SIMILAR TO THE U.S. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS, CIP IS A FEDERATION OF 47,000 FIRMS OF ALL SIZES ENGAGED IN INDUSTRY, TRADE, BANKING AND SERVICES. DELEGATION WILL COMPRISE CIP PRESIDENT ANTONIO VASCO DE MELLO AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS MIGUEL DE STTAU MONTEIRO AND JOSE MANUEL DE MORAIS CABRAL. ITINERARY FOR U.S. PORTION OF TRIP WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

- ARRIVE NEW YORK TUESDAY NOVEMBER 19 TWA 901
- REMAIN IN NEW YORK AT DRAKE HOTEL THROUGH SUNDAY NOV 24
- TRAVEL BY TRAIN TO WASHINGTON ON NOV 24.
- REMAIN IN WASHINGTON (HOTEL UNKNOWN) UNTIL TUESDAY NOV 26, WHEN THEY WILL TRAVEL TO BOSTON TO CATCH PA 154 TO LISBON.

2. PORTUGUESE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON INFORMED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY OF VISIT AND REPORTEDLY IS MAKING ARRANGEMENTS
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FOR MEETINGS WITH USG OFFICIALS, MEMBERS OF U.S. BANKING

AND BUSINESS COMMUNITIES, REPRESENTATIVES OF INDUSTRY,
AND WITH THE TV, RADIO AND PRESS, BOTH IN NEW YORK AND
IN WASHINGTON. EMBASSY HAS OFFERED USG ASSISTANCE,
IF NEEDED, IN MAKING PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS, AS WELL AS DURING
VISIT.

3. CIP IS THE MOST INFLUENTIAL AND IMPORTANT ORGANIZATION
OF ITS KIND IN PORTUGAL AND HAS READY ACCESS TO PROVISIONAL
GOVERNMENT. WE SUGGEST DEPARTMENT CONTACT PORTUGUESE
EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON TO OFFER ANY NECESSARY ASSISTANCE.
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